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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0021] with the following amended paragraph:

[0021] Referring now to FIGS. 2-4, the agitator brush includes a spindle that is rotatably mounted to the outer housing of the base module 14 at each end thereof in ~~convention~~ conventional fashion. The spindle has one or more rows of bristles that agitate a carpet to be cleaned. A hair-wrap cutter 210 is mounted in the base module 14 housing adjacent each end 27 of brush 26 and adjacent to the rotational mountings. The cutters 210 are positioned closely adjacent the surface of brush spindle and parallel to the axis of rotation of the brush 26 to minimize the buildup of elongate particles such as hair, thread or carpet fibers on the brush 26 and especially adjacent the brush ends 27 where such elongate particles may interfere with the rotational mounting of the brush 26 in the base module 14 housing. Hair wrap cutters 210 include a cutting edge 212 adjacent the spindle of the brush 26 to sever and break up the elongate particles. Each hair-wrap cutter 210 is mounted to the base module 14 by a fastener 214 such as a screw received in an integrally molded boss 216 of the base module 14 housing.